Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Rodney R. Parry, MD, Vice President for Health Affairs and Dean of the Sanford School of Medicine of the University of South Dakota, will retire from full-time administrative service on June 21, 2011; and,

Whereas, Dr. Parry became one of the first pulmonologists to practice in South Dakota, and the first to graduate from the school to serve as Dean of the Sanford School of Medicine; and,

Whereas, Dr. Parry's 35 years of tireless service to the Sanford School of Medicine and the state of South Dakota has shaped the lives of generations of students, residents, scientists, physicians, and health professionals of all disciplines; and,

Whereas, Dr. Parry's commitment to Cystic Fibrosis resulted in one of the first adult Cystic Fibrosis programs certified by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation; and,

Whereas, Dr. Parry's service to the South Dakota State Medical Association, including serving as president, the South Dakota Lung Association, and the South Dakota Association for Respiratory Therapy, allowed South Dakota to have a significant influence upon the standards of care for the citizens of the state; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan, and congratulate him as his colleagues, family and friends gather on May 6, 2011, to recognize him for his dedication and service on the occasion of his retirement on June 21, 2011:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 21, 2011, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and many friends from the School of Medicine and medical community in wishing him a fulfilling and happy retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Segretary of State